Minutes of the Transportation Committee

The Transportation Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 404 of the Government Center, 115 E. Washington St., Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman William Caisley Members Randall Martin,

Elizabeth Johnston, Gerald Thompson Shayna Watchinski, Logan Smith and William Friedrich (via remote attendance)

Members Absent:

Other Members Present: None

Staff Members Present: Ms. Camille Rodriguez, County Administrator, Ms. Cassy

Taylor, Assistant County Administrator, Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary, Mr. Chris Spanos, First Assistant State's Attorney – Civil Division; Ms. Samantha Vazquez

Assistant State's Attorney Civil Division

Department Heads Present: Mr. Jerry Stokes, County Engineer (via remote attendance)

Others Present: Mr. Luke Hohulin, Assistant County Engineer

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Caisley at 8:00 a.m. and a quorum declared.

Chairman Caisley presented the minutes from the August 4, 2020 regular meeting for review and approval.

Motion by Martin/Smith to approve the minutes from the August 4, 2020 regular meeting.

Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote. All present voted yes including the Chairman

Chairman Caisley presented prepaid bills in the amount of \$2,020,027.01 for review and approval.

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AS OF 8/27/2020 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Transportation Committee

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FIND TOTAL
0006	SHOW BUS	PENDING FOIAE	\$7,320,56	FUND TOTAL \$7,320.56
0120	HIGHWAY		\$779,469.52	\$779,469.52
0121 0122	BRIDGE MATCHING FUND MCLEAN COUNTY MATCHING		\$237,137.76	\$237,137.76
0123	MOTOR FUEL TAX		\$842,036.86 \$115,330,36	\$842,036.86 \$115,330,36
0501	TOWNSHIP MOTOR FUEL TAX	_	\$38,731.95	\$38,731.95
			\$2,020,027.01	\$2,020,027.01

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Motion by Johnston/Thompson to recommend payment of bills as submitted by the County Auditor in the amount of \$2,020,027.01.

Motion carried. Roll call vote – all present voted yes including the Chairman.

Chairman Caisley confirmed with Ms. Rodriguez there were no appearances by members of the public or employees.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve a Resolution of the August 25, 2020 Equipment Letting. Mr. Caisley indicated this was for a Full Frame Dump Trailer.

Motion by Friedrich/Martin recommend approval of a Resolution of the August 25, 2020 Equipment Letting.

Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote – all present voted yes including the Chairman.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve a Critical Hire Request.

Motion by Thompson/Friedrich to recommend approval a Critical Hire Request. Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote – all present voted yes including the Chairman.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve a Matching Tax Resolution and a Jurisdictional Addendum for Cropsey Road (CH 1) – Section 20-00035-05-RS. Mr. Stokes went over TARP funding and scope of the project that will be in conjunction with Livingston County.

Motion by Thompson/Johnston to recommend approval of a Matching Tax Resolution and a Jurisdictional Addendum for Cropsey Road (CH 1) – Section 20-00035-05-RS.

Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote – all present voted yes including the Chairman.

Mr. Stokes provided project updates for the Chenoa – Division St (CH 19) -Section 18-00053-00-FP, Ron Smith Memorial Highway (CH 63) – Section 19-00123-02-RS, the Park Culvert, Pipeline Road (CH 31) – Section 19-00073-11-BR and Towanda East Road (CH 14) Section 15-00027-06-RS projects.

He also provided an update on the Alvis Bridge project. He showed pictures and videos of the project. Ms. Johnston asked how quickly they need to work with this material once they start to pour. Mr. Stokes indicated the material does start to set up quickly and estimated about they have about 15 minutes to have it covered and put water on it. Mr. Friedrich stated the topcoat looks good and he felt we would be utilizing this technique on more bridges in the County. Mr. Stokes concurred.

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Mr. Stokes also showed pictures of the completed Maitland Bridge Project. Mr. Martin asked about line painting on Routes 53 and 55 overlay projects. Mr. Stokes indicated that would be done soon. Mr. Caisley asked if it would be done with our new paint truck. Mr. Stokes indicated it would not as they still needed to receive training on the new paint truck.

Under other business Mr. Thompson asked about potholes created from the equipment driving on roads near the Wind Farm project. Mr. Stokes indicated they had patched several on the County Roads and one gentleman reported damage to a vehicle and they were working with him regarding repairs. He stated that the movement of materials is complete, so they would go back out and patch any areas that needed it. Mr. Thompson asked him to confirm there would be less damage incurred after this point. Mr. Stokes confirmed.

Mr. Caisley asked about patch work on Ron Smith Highway. Mr. Stokes indicated rain had impacted completed mill work during that project, so they redid that work. Mr. Caisley asked if that was completed. Mr. Stokes confirmed it was.

Mr. Caisley asked if they should follow up with the Village of Downs since the transfer was voted down to see what we might be able to do for them. Mr. Stokes indicated the road would go into the five-year plan and they would follow up with the Village when the project came up. Mr. Stokes stated they would discuss needs the Village had for those few blocks in town that the County could take care of considering the road will be maintained as a County Highway.

Chairman Caisley asked if there was anything else to come before the Committee; hearing nothing, he adjourned the meeting at 8:26 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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